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WE re-publish from an India paper an account of an extraordinary scene at Lucknow—a scene which before the opening of Zenana work could not have been possible. This, with a similar gathering a few years since in Calcutta, vividly described then by our missionaries, give us and them all the encouragement needed to make us sure our work has not been in vain. When India becomes a star in the Redeemer's diadem, shall we not rejoice that to us, also, was given to tell that country of His love?

Does Miss Hook hit the truth when she says: "Write us interesting incidents," is the constant cry from home. Well, what shall it be? Everything is interesting to us and what shall we choose out of all the details of the different departments? How many of our readers have followed us closely enough to understand, if I mention a member of our family, whether it is one of the young lady missionaries or one of the young Bengali teachers living in "The Home," or an outside Bengali teacher, with her own home, husband and children? There are many missionary magazines and reports published in these days, and some interested in our Link fail to read it, or if read, there is no time to think about it, so this Home in Calcutta is not always thought about just as it is.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

JAPAN-YOKOHAMA.

A PRESSING INVITATION.

Letter from Mrs. Pierson.

THE Master has given me a golden opportunity for service during the few past weeks. A call came to me from the Province of Shinshiu for evangelistic work. The Holy Spirit went with me to help edify the Christians there. Knowing that the journey was long and toilsome, as well as dangerous, I still felt impelled to go, as the call was an imperative one, and went, accompanied by a Bible woman and one of the Postgraduates of our school as an assistant in the singing. We reached Sakasaki on the new railroad, and having passed through that region two years previously, the Christians came immediately to call upon us and our room was soon well filled. They joyfully held a prayer meeting, and all participated with pleasure, and undoubtedly with profit. The next morning we took the train for Sokogana, and then ascended the mountain in a stage coach. The road winds round great boulders of rock, with a precipice on one side and a natural wall of stone upon the other. The rain poured in torrents and there was nothing to refresh the eye or comfort the heart, as the road was almost impassable. Arriving at Uyeda, the evangelist and others came to consult us about the work, and although we were weary, wet and hungry, we were glad to meet those who were one with us in Christ, and our arrangements were soon completed. The next afternoon we held a meeting in the church, where a large number of auditors assembled and all were most attentive. A similar meeting was held in the evening, on which occasion the house was filled to overflowing, while protound silence prevailed. The next day, accompanied by two or three Christian women, I visited the church members, speaking a few words here and there as the Holy Spirit gave me utterance. I was invited in the evening to address an audience at a private house and my subject was taken from the Gospel of St. Matthew, 5th chapter, 29th and 30th verses. I gave a brief account of the structure of the eye with its intricate and delicate machinery; but God, who made it, thoroughly understood its complications as well as its importance. Knowing all this, He said: "If thy right eye offend thee. pluck it out," etc. Then the application was presented. Holiness of heart, as taught by our Lord in this Sermon on the mount, was pressed home to their consciences through many texts from the sacred Word. At the close of the meeting the evangelist asked any who wished to inquire into the truth as it is in Jesus, to remain, and I learned eight or nine did so. On Friday similar meetings were held, and on Saturday we were urged to visit a neighboring town four miles distant, where a few Christians resided and found the house filled to overflowing.

In the evening a large woman's meeting was held in the church. The young girl who accompanied me was on that occasion especially inspired. After reading and exhortation of the Scriptures, she sang in a rich, strong voice the English hymn, "I gave my life for thee," and explained it in Japanese. On Sunday she addressed the children of the Sunday-school and some wept who heard her sweet, loving words. After the Sunday-school, by invitation, I addressed the audience, and also that same evening spoke in the church to a large assembly composed of Christians and unbelievers. We had intended leaving on Monday morning, but being constrained by loving invitations, remained until Tuesday.

The last evening the Christians gave an entertainment for us. They had prepared a foreign supper for me, which was well cooked and served. One of the number, to show me an old custom which was in practice three hundred years ago, made Chayu, which is hot water and tea, so combined as to produce effervescence. At the close of the entertainment there were lectures.

Going down the mountain it was intensely cold, for the thermometer in this region ranges at nine degrees below zero. We journeyed directly east, having mountains on every side, among which Asamazan rises prominently, the rival of old Tuft, having its crater covered with snow. There are many places of interest in this region, but we had not the time to visit them, for our object was to win souls for Christ and to advance His kingdom. The descent of the pass was made in jinriksha. The day was magnificent and the scenery gorgeous beyond description. The trees in their autumn hues of gold, brown and crimson, covered the hills on every side. It was delightful to see the earnest zeal of the evangelist and his people. They are so far away that missionaries do not visit them often: but we trust they will be drawn near the source of the Eternal Fountain and be filled with its sanctifying influences

STEPS FOR THE BETTER.

Letter from Mrs. VIELE.

OUR Christian schools for girls are no small factor in the regeneration of Japan. The thousands of young women now under the instruction of Christian teachers will be a mighty force in coming years. Their children and their children's children will not have to unlearn the lessons their mothers have, but will be taught the principles of truth, virtue and morality from their infancy. I believe we have never had a case in our school where a girl has been called upon to decide for herself against the wicked and unreasonable desires of her parents, except in the case of marriage. Some of our Christian girls have stood out right nobly against marrying heathen men, who would have no sympathy with them in their new-found joy, trusting that some Christians would present themselves for consideration before they reached an age when hopes of marrying would have forever fled, a situation which has been considered almost a calamity in

Japan. Formerly the all-important object of a father was to get a daughter off his hands as soon as possible, and to accomplish this, marrying her at the age of twelve or thirteen was not an uncommon occurrence. Will not this custom account, in a measure, for the race of diminutive and physically undeveloped men and women we find in Japan? In the movement towards the amelioration of women this custom of early marriage is undergoing a vital change also. Girls are seldom married now under sixteen years of age, one step, at least, toward a better, stronger race, mentally, morally and physically.

You can understand what an advantage it is to have Christian native girls as teachers. They know their own language as we may never hope to learn it; they know, also, the needs and capabilities of the little ones who come to us, and the early experience and teaching to which they have been subject in their own poor heathen homes. Thus they know just how to meet these things, and I am sure it must be a work of deep interest to them to watch the unfolding of minds as dark as was theirs and see the first rays of light breaking through the darkness. We are always glad to retain in the school, as long as possible, those who are available as teachers.

I like the children here to know they are very like the children in other and more favored lands, only a little darker and that their dress and language is different. They learn English correctly and they laugh and cry, play, eat and sleep and love just as our children do at home and we almost forget there is any dividing line, even the great sea between us and you. God bless the children and those who help to make them good.

I begin to think that we who are called to be laborers with God at home and abroad do not half appreciate our grandly blessed privilege of laying up for ourselves, as well as those who are saved through our instrumentality heavenly treasure; if we could see now as we shall in the light of eternity how

great our responsibility and our privilege, how we would quicken our pace in the warfare. Dear friends, I am talking to myself; I find that I constantly need to have my zeal for souls, my earnestness and love put on the whetstone to give them keener edge. We on the field need the inspiration of your sympathy and your prayers as you need our reports of the work being done through your devotion to the cause by the gift of your money and your time. I pray that God will fit us each for her own part of the work and help us to see how honored we are in being chosen.

SAFELY LANDED.

Letter from Dr. Adaline D. H. Kelsey.

Dec. 4th, 1885.—After a rather long and rough passage of twenty-two days we anchored in this most beautiful bay of Yokohama and came ashore at sunset on the first day of the month. A trip to the great idol, Dai Butza, was planned yesterday. I went with the party and enjoyed the day exceedingly. We had a most wonderful panorama all day long; the beautiful and picturesque vieing with each other in producing most marvelous scenic effects. To one whose eyes had grown accustomed to only sea and sky after a long trip across the Pacific, these beauties seem unreal. I hope next week to begin work on the language in earnest, although I have picked up some Japanese phrases to enable me to be more independent.

Dec. 18th.—I am very happy indeed to be here; happy in the prospect of laboring for this most interesting people.

I am anxious to rearrange what is called the gate house for a Dispensary. It is in a very convenient position for the purpose and would attract many needing my services if put in proper order. The amount needed will be about \$150. Are there none among our dear friends who would like to contribute this amount for such an object.

CHINA-SHANGHAI.

FIRST FRUITS.

Letter from Miss Burnett.

Nov. 11th, 1885.—Last Friday afternoon there were assembled in our chapel a little company of twelve, all seeking admission to the church. Eight of these were from the school; three were women living near, who have been taught chiefly by the Bible-reader, and one a woman who has been a short time in our employ. Dr. Farnham, with a committee from his church, examined these candidates. The examination was most carefully conducted and the evidence of the pupils was clear and unmistakable. They had been waiting some months for this opportunity of a public profession of their faith, and, although naturally timid, gave in their testimony with gladness of heart. The women, though very ignorant and wretched in other respects, showed a knowledge of spiritual things, which must have been given from above. On Sunday morning the eight pupils, after receiving the ordinance of baptism, commemorated with us the dying love of our Lord and Saviour. It was a precious season for our souls, when for a time we forgot the trials of the way and caught some faint glimpses of the glory soon to be revealed. Another bright girl from the same class had desired to profess publicly her faith in Christ, but while in her heathen home had sickened and died. For His sake she suffered all manner of reproach. Her own mother would give her neither food nor care, said she was possessed with a devil, and so let her die; but now I felt that she was where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.

PROGRESS.

Letter from Miss Bennett.

I LOVE my work very much and I thank God for the glorious privilege He has been so good to give one so unworthy as I. I have a little class of girls on Sunday afternoons, from eight to twelve years of age. I talk

with them on some simple subject and am teaching them the Lord's Prayer and the Commandments. I am also teaching a woman who is very desirous to learn to read in the Testament. I have a very interesting singing class in one of the day schools I visit regularly. They are all young children and have such good voices, I wish you might hear them sing. I also teach arithmetic in the day schools. wish you could see how the little dark faces light up when they see me coming. Poor little things, their lives seem so monotonous! I often think of our little ones at home; how many things they have to enjoy; how many pleasant surprises and their surroundings so attractive. I have an interesting class in our boarding school, and am giving instrumental music lessons. Three of the class will soon be able to play the hymns for prayers. How glad it makes our hearts to see our dear girls one by one brought to the feet of Jesus. How sad to think of the many who have not yet heard of the love of our Saviour!

Last night I was awakened out of my sleep after midnight by the most hideous noises coming from the temple next us. The day preceding had been one of noise and confusion in the temple and in the streets. Chinese processions were marching in and out of the city. They carried idols about with them. At certain temples and in some open fields they set the idols down, burned incense and worshiped them. It is sad to see these people come by hundreds to the temple to burn incense and worship these frightful looking images.

If you could only see with your own eyes the wretched, ignorant lives the Chinese girls live in their filthy, miserable homes, you would indeed think Christian training and education a grand work, and would, I am sure, desire to do all in your power to raise them up from the dark, monotonous lives they lead into the light and glory of a Christian life, filled with a Saviour's love and care.

INDIA-CALCUTTA.

CUSTOM A TYRANT.

Letter from Miss Marston.

HAVE something to tell you which has been a very great sorrow and trial to me. My dear little Motee has been married. I have had hopes to take her to America and educate her under influences that could develop her Christian life. The dear child was so anxious for this plan of mine to be carried out and the family even would have given their consent. In the holidays preparations were made for her marriage with a boy about fifteen years of age. On my first visit to the house after the holidays I was informed that the marriage would take place the following week. She shrank from marriage as from something terrible, and clinging to me, she said: "Oh! let me go with you." I felt very helpless; but the next morning, passing the house, I went in to ask for Motee and was told the marriage was not to take place. The father of the bridegroom had demanded such an exorbitant marriage dowry that Motee's father refused to give it. I was very thankful. All things went on very quietly for two weeks more, when another bridegroom was found; a more advantageous match in every way, especially that he was much older, more responsible and better able to take care of a little wife. The marriage took place between my weekly visits, and must have been a doleful affair, for Motee cried all day and through the ceremony, begging them to send for her teacher; but the Babu was only too anxious to get it over without my presence, so I was not sent for. Her husband is an orthodox Hindoo, and in the course of our lesson I asked her what she would do if he should insist on her bathing in the Ganges to wash away her sins. "I should tell him," she said, "that the Ganges water could not wash away my sins; that only the blood of Jesus Christ could do that." We can only pray for her that her faith may not be shaken, but I fear sore trial is before her.

METHODS OF INFLUENCE. Letters from Mrs. Page.

L ATELY a large number of native Christians had a farewell meeting, to take place in their own church and school hall, not far from here, and they asked some ladies to aid them in furnishing tables. The school hall where the tea meeting was held was beautifully decorated with leaves, flowers and paper flags; our tea-tables, too, looked very pretty and inviting. Some special Bengali hymns and tunes had been composed for the occasion and were very effectively rendered in their own national music by the Bengali choir. Sixteen of my school-girls took a prominent part in the singing. A Bengali preacher said to me afterwards, "Madam, our music is enhanced by the voices of your girls!" Don't laugh at this. Bengali Babus are like Dr. Johnson, of dictionery renown, they love long words. Another native always addressed me as Sir, and spoke of me in the masculine gender, because he said it was not polite to say she and her of a lady who occupied such a responsible position as myself!

Among the native Christians themselves a more earnest spirit seems to exist and lay members of churches are working now as they never worked before. Some of the methods adopted are curious. Two men stand opposite each other; one asks questions in a loud voice and the man in front of him replies. A crowd soon gathers around them and thus the story of the Cross is simply and effectively told. The first begins somewhat in this fashion:

- "Can you tell me if this world has always existed?"
- "It has not always existed; it had to be created."
- "Who, then, created it? Who had so much power? What is his name and where does he dwell?"
- "He dwells in heaven, far above us; but from there He condescends to behold all the dwellers upon earth. He cares for them and preserves them."
 - "Can we see Him when we desire to do so?"

"Yes, with the eyes of faith; for He has said: 'Blessed are the pure in heart, they shall see God.'"

In this way the two go on questioning and answering and the people around them become quite interested, and, finally, ask questions for themselves. Sometimes the whole of the story of the Crucifixion is sung in a plaintive voice by little boys, and Bengalis are so fond of music of every sort that they will pause to listen on their way home from their offices and places of business. One of the English missionaries was so impressed with this method of preaching he has trained a number of young lads to sing in the above manner, and sometimes they are in great requisition

SIGNIFICANT RITES.

On a great day with the Mahomedans of Calcutta they offered their yearly sacrifice, the atonement for sin. A lamb or a kid without spot or blemish is taken to the priest or moulvie; the person who presents the offering lays his hands on the animal's head, saying: "For my head I give thine." Then he touches the ears, the mouth, the eyes. etc., of the sacrifice, still repeating: "For my ears, thy ears; for my mouth, thy mouth; for my eyes, thy eyes;" and so on till he has mentioned all that he has to say. Then he exclaims: "For my life, thy life;" and as he pronounces these words the priest plunges a knife into the kid's heart and pronounces an absolution for the sinner. Is not this a strange custom, showing that the Mahomedan also acknowledges the necessity of an atonement, and without the shedding of blood there is no remission for sin? Sometimes quite a rivalry exists about idol celebrations, and aged matrons will recount with great pride and pleasure that large sums of money have been spent on the idols by their lords, spiritual and temporal, while the old women of the other party seek to outvie them in boasting and magnificence. The voices gradually become louder and louder and then speedily abusive. Natives usually abuse fathers and mothers and various ancestors of those with whom they are at variance, and sometimes when they cannot scream and abuse any longer they hire persons to curse their enemies for them and so carry on the strife of words in the true spirit of Balak, the son of Zippor, King of Moab, when he said: "Come, curse me, Jacob, and come, defy Israel." I have often heard these hired women cursing during the night and wondered how they could keep it up so long; but it is their trade and they are used to it. Idol pilgrimages are very frequent in certain months and many of the shrines have been enriched by the gifts of the faithful. In return for all the valuables he receives, the priest generally bestows on the devotee a portion of the edibles that have been contributed

One god derives a large annual revenue from religious celebrations. The temple of the idol will be literally filled with offerings, consisting of rice, various confectionaries, fruits, milk, rupees and small coins. No pilgrim will visit the shrine without offering his quota to the presiding god. On the moderate calculation, 25,000 pilgrims will probably assemble on the occasion; so says one of our daily newspapers. It is very sad to meet any of these pilgrims returning home from a pilgrimage. Some of them have spent their little all in gifts to the priests and are coming back again with only a change of linen, or perhaps a few rags, unworthy of the name of wearing apparel, that they carry on their heads in a little bundle. Others are carefully carrying to their homes a few drops of water from the river Ganges, in a small vial tied round their necks. Will you not pray for all such that they may find and drink of the "true water of life?"

COMPULSORY MARRIAGE.

Letter from Miss Dutt (native missionary).

ONE of my best scholars was married the other day. If you had seen her, how she cried when she was sent off with her husband to his house, you would have felt that India is still groaning under the oppression of compulsory child mar-

riage. She cannot be more than twelve years old; her parents and others seemed almost at their wits' end because they could not get an eligible person to dispose of their burden. Many who decline to marry unless they be permitted to see the bride before marriage, came to my dear pupil, most of whom made her read and were well satisfied, because in intelligence, refinement and acquirements she is all that can be expected in a girl of her age. But of little avail is the satisfaction of these inspecting bridegrooms unless other considerations fall in with it. The paramount one is this: how much money in valuables, ornaments, etc., will be demanded by the bridegroom's people. There have been found men of independent spirit who scorn such mercenary dealings and take a girl for her worth; but they are comparatively few. At last an offer came from the family of a young man of the suburbs of this city, who is the possessor of a small estate, but devoid of university education. His family did not demand much and at once the wedding was arranged. The poor girl being old enough to comprehend that it was a question of life-long misery or happiness, felt dubious and timid. My school is held at this girl's house and it so chanced that the day after the wedding was my visiting day. The house was all bustle and excitement; the bridegroom was still there ready to take his bride away in the afternoon. The bridegroom asked permission to see me, which was readily granted. He seemed intelligent and good-natured, said he felt very glad that his wife was taught by me, that he was an advocate for female education, and hoped I would continue teaching her when she will be with her parents. In the afternoon a covered palanguin came for the bride and a barouche and pair for the bridegroom. The former was dressed in red silk saree and the latter in a brilliant tinsel suit. The bride was carried down by a female relative to be put inside the palanquin, when the bride lifted up her voice and wept. I tried to soothe her, but with no effect. She is one of my most advanced pupils and well versed in Scripture knowledge.

INDIA-ALLAHABAD.

"EVERMORE THANKS."

Letter from Miss LATHROP.

Dec. 9th, 1885.—Around me on every side are evidences that the long looked for boxes have come. heaped up with dolls; some out of their wrappings, others not vet unloosed from their many coverings. All have met with a warm welcome from us and a warmer awaits them when they come into the hands of the dear little girls who are counting the days until they get them. Every year the children have been made happy by the gifts of dolls, and so they come to look upon them as sure possessions. I asked the little Bengali children a while ago why they felt so certain of getting them as none had come from America. At first they were silent and looked a bit downcast; then one brightened up with the thought she expressed: "They have come every year and they will come this, will they not?" Every eye was raised to mine in eager expectation for the reply, and when I smiled. though I said nothing, they said. "Yes, they will come," and so they have. A pile at one side contains hundreds of garments for the poor Hindustani girls, and many as there are I find it in my heart to wish for more. Five hundred will no more than supply our needs. What are lacking now must be supplied by us, as we could not allow one little one under our care to go without the coveted and expected koorta. There are other things to be glad of, scrap-books, pictures, etc. Articles for sale we shall try to dispose of as soon as we have time, and for all the gifts we send for ourselves and our pupils our best thanks. We hope "Helping Hands," "Busy Bees," and all the bands of young people and the individuals who have worked for us this year will reap the blessing promised to those who do their utmost, whether much or little, for the Master, and when another year comes around we shall look for fresh evidences of remembrance from them. Be very thankful for the privilege of living in the midst of good

influences, with liberty and light to cheer every step of the way, and let this feeling animate you with the desire to labor and pray for the many who have not these blessings.

REPRESENTATIVES OF A CLASS.

(Com. by the Philadelphia Br.)

Two native women who lately paid us a visit, are objects of such interest to us that I think if you knew of their trials and efforts to acquire knowledge, you might be able to sympathize more intelligently with them, and with many others similarly situated.

The one with whom we have been longest acquainted, has been a widow from early childhood. From her looks I should judge she was thirty-five, but the hard life of a Hindoo widow brings the appearance of age very soon, and she may be younger. She is not handsome, but she impresses you as she is, a person quite above the average. When we first knew her, she could read her own language, having learned from a boy in the family. The crumbs of knowledge she could gather in this way far from satisfied her, and she wanted regular instruction. This for a time was denied her. but finally through her persistance she won permission to go into a neighbor's house where a lady visited. There for the first time she came under Christian teaching, to which her mind readily opened. She began the study of English, and in that has made good proficiency. After a time she gained the further permission to learn in her father's house, and for two years has been regularly taught there with a number of others. In her own home and among all her friends, this woman is highly respected and looked up to on account of her superior attainments and goodness. She is a strong character, and, if she could follow her own convictions, she would become a Christian openly; as it is, she does no idol worship.

We often wonder what her future will be, as her father is an old man, and at his death his property will go to nephews,

he having no son to inherit it. The family are of high caste, and the young men not at all favorable to Christianity. They would feel it the keenest disgrace if she were to become a Christian, and when the property comes into their hands, they would not hesitate to deprive her of every comfort and make her a household drudge.

This is the fate of many a widow in this country, who by right should have a sufficient income to place her above want. When here she told us that her little sister, who is a pupil in the Bengali Girls' School, takes her books home and every night after the father comes in from his office and settles for his evening rest, the little girl is called to read to him a portion from "Peep of Day." To her surprise he manifests great interest in it, and lets nothing interfere with the reading. This seems very simple teaching for a man, but while he has learned many other things, he has heretofore refused to accept any Christian teaching, and doubtless would still from a teacher. This little girl has in her own way reached him with her book, and her elder sister rejoices with us over it. These two are half sisters, the elder one's mother having died many years ago.

Through the woman of whom I have spoken, we made the acquaintance of one who came with her to see us. Unlike the first named, she has husband and children. Her eldest, a very tiny girl, has just begun coming to school. She manifested an interest in religious teachings, too much to suit her husband, who, after a time, refused to let her go on. The lady who had been teaching her was much attached to her and felt very badly at the restriction.

The matter dropped there until a visit paid before the hot weather holidays, when knowing it would be the last time for weeks that the lady would be in the neighborhood, she stole away to have a few words.

She felt great sorrow at not being allowed to learn, and said it was the religious teaching the Babu objected to.

When we resumed work in July the lady was pained to hear that a little while before, one night when sleeping on the

terrace, she had fallen to the ground and fractured both legs and otherwise injured herself so seriously that her life was in danger. Again she asked if there were any hope of her being allowed to see her if she went to the house and was told there was none, as the Babu was bitterly opposed to it. The next week, going in the morning, she saw the man sitting in his door as she passed the house. She stepped up to him and asked after his wife. He seemed pleasant and quite willing to tell her about the accident, and also expressed great sympathy for her loneliness, being obliged to lie on her bed day after day with few about her. Encouraged by this she said to him, I would be very glad to go in and see her whenever I am in the neighborhood and help her to pass away a little part of a dreary day. Instead of getting a refusal, or even a reluctant consent, he said to her, "I shall esteem it a favor if you will go and see my poor wife as often as you can while she is ill."

The woman was delighted to welcome her teacher once more, and every week until she was able to resume her studies the Bible was read to her, and her heart was cheered by that and by pleasant conversation, so that one day in the week was bright to her. For more than six months she was kept on her bed; but now she is walking slowly and feebly, but it is a delight to her to be able to go about at all.

The lady still continues her visits and always receives a pleasant greeting from the husband if he chances to be home when she goes in We were surprised at her being allowed to visit us, as it is the exception when a woman can do this.

It is rather hard sometimes to entertain the native ladies when they come to visit us, as their curiosity to see where we live, just how we do everything, is unbounded; but their pleasure is so evident over it all that we are compensated.

The lives of these two women represents a class of our pupils, and as such I ask your interest and prayers for them. The religion of Christ has made a decided impression upon them, and so it has on the minds of many others, and we daily ask that their hearts may be touched by a sense of Christ's love, so that their assent to the truth may be something deeper and more effectual than mere intellectual belief can give.

INDIA-CAWNPORE.

INTELLIGENT QUESTIONS.

Letter from Miss WARD.

I VISITED an interesting Mahomedan woman about twenty, the wife of an educated physician. She can read Urdu fluently and is reading English with us as a study. You can understand her thoughtfulness and intelligence when I give you some of her questions.

"Was it Christ's Divinity or His Humanity which suffered?"

"If punishment of sin was eternal, how was it that Christ suffered but three days?"

Argument on the Divinity of Christ does but little good. I find telling them what Christ has done for me, in my own heart, touches them more than reasoning over their objections. Our work during the past year has increased among the Mahomedans more than among any other class. Their women are generally better taught and more efficient than the ordinary Hindoo women.

FRESH INTERESTS.

Letter from Miss Harris.

L ATELY two of us went to work at Berhampore, a small station between this and Allahabad. Some time ago we visited this place regularly and had a number of Zenanas and schools. The women were glad to see us, and one or two new ones had come. I did not teach them to read, but went from house to house telling them of the love of Jesus. One woman told me that it seemed a long time to her since she had heard about God. She said she would be so glad if we could visit them regularly. We collected all the children that used to attend our school, and although all had forgotten how to read, to my surprise one remembered three Scripture texts and repeated them without a mistake and joined us in singing. We gave the children pictures, and tracts to all the men on the railway platform. The women in the jail were very happy

to see me after our vacation, and told me they used to count the days when I would return. These poor women are visited only on Sundays and they are beginning to like to listen to the Word. Sunday is always a holiday and some of the women tell me they spend the day singing hymns and repeating texts. I have one very interesting pupil who has lately come from the Medical Hospital in Calcutta and is a nurse. She is practicing here among the native women and is anxious to learn English, but has no time to study, so she reads only the Bible. She and her husband belong to the Brahmo Somaj and do not believe in idol worship. The Bengalis here do not associate with them, for they say she has lost caste, having studied in the hospital, especially as a nurse.

ZENANA DAY AT THE LUCKNOW EXHIBITION.

From the Pioneer (an Indian paper.)

THE arrangement for the visit of the native ladies to the Exhibition now being held in Canning College have occupied the time and minds of the missionary ladies of the different churches for some days past.

After permission had been granted for a "Zenana day" every effort was put forth by the Zenana teachers to secure the attendance of their pupils, the result was astonishing even to those most interested in the education and advancement of native women, and is certainly an inspiration for renewed zeal and earnestness in spending strength and life in the uplifting and refining of these secluded inmates of the Zenana.

The doors of the college were opened early in the day. Within the scene was unique and interesting. At each stand of displayed wares were stationed Christian young ladies from the different Mission schools, taking the places of the usual policemen on ordinary days. Bengali ladies assisted in the escorting of visitors from room to room. The excited and pleased women and girls were very much interested in the curiosities displayed about them. At eleven

o'clock Lady Dufferin and other ladies arrived, who, after walking through the rooms, interested themselves in the native ladies. Lady Dufferin requested that all might be presented to her. As they filed before her, each received a gracious salaam, and now and then her ladyship stooped and touched the forehead of a little child as it tripped along in its gay costume by its mother's side.

Mahomedan, Hindoo and Bengali ladies, each wearing their own peculiar costume, and all dressed in their gayest colors, passed by; then came the native *Christian women*. To one interested in the souls of the people, the latter class was the most striking. The plain white, the neatly arranged chuddar, the absence of tinkling bangles, nose rings, excess of jewelry, the bright, intelligent faces, the clean, white teeth, with no pan-stained lips, these all spoke of a change of habit, customs and heart.

The native ladies gazed in astonishment as they beheld Lady Dufferin in her plain black costume, and asked in loud whispers: "What is that simply dressed woman the *lady*, the Viceroy's wife?"

There were over 2,000 native women at the Exhibition durind the day, a most hopeful sign of the coming events in India.

Miss Gardner has kindly given us these native expressions, most commonly used in India:

Sahib—A gentleman.

Mem Sahiba—A married lady.

Miss Sahiba—An unmarried lady.

Melā—A fair, a great concourse of people met for the purpose of worshiping a particular deity.

Gāri—A carriage.

Kurta—An upper garment.

Ghat—A landing place at the river side.

Bihisti—A water carrier.

Rāgā—A king.

Rāni—A queen.

Ma bap—Common expression for father and mother.

Khuda—God.

Khudawand—A lord,

Bail—An ox.
Bail gāri—An ox cart.
Dai, or dhae—A wet nurse.
Ayah—A female attendant.
Gunga—The River Ganges.
Kitab—A book.
Git ki kitab—Hymn-book.
Bhajan—A hymn.
Bhai—A brother.
Bahin—A sister.
Achchha—Very well, excellent.
Bakbshish—A gift, gratuity.
Solā topi—Sun hat.
Bungelow—A house for English residents.

Kos—A measure of two miles.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Our New President.

A T the Anniversary Mrs. Henry Johnson was elected President of our Society, to fill a vacancy made by the death of Mrs. Jacob Le Roy. As Mrs. Johnson has been closely identified for many years with our work, and has held prominent positions as Treasurer of our Boston Branch and as Vice-President of the Society, we feel she brings to us rich experience well fitting her for her present responsibilities. We trust the love and loyalty given to our former Presidents will be transferred to her, and her hands upheld by the warm friends of the Society. She will be at the Mission Room EVERY FRIDAY MORNING to receive all who may desire to consult her in the interests of the cause so dear to her heart.

Silver (25th) Anniversary.

As the exercises of this memorable era in our history as a Society were of a peculiar character, a special record has been made of them, that those at a distance, unable to be with us, may enjoy our reminiscences. The printed account may be procured at our Mission Room, 41 Bible House.

Pointing to the Star.

IN referring back to the report of a meeting held by our Society in 1869, we came upon farewell remarks made by Rev. Dr. Budington, of Brooklyn, to a party of our missionaries about to start for China. In closing, he said:

"A missionary lady in the East, while watching a little son whose eyesight was hopelessly leaving him, and he was so young she feared he would forget God's works, said to the child, pointing his dim gaze upward, 'I want you to look at the evening star and carry its brightness in your memory through life.' The boy strained his eyes to look long and eagerly at the beautiful, bright globe, and as vision faded, he always remembered that one glory of the heavens. Thus the dear missionaries give up all of home that is

so dear to them; but they have seen the Star of Bethlehem and that they can point out to their heathen sisters. It is the beacon light guiding to everlasting life."

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Words of Cheer.

Disposition of a Legacy.—Several facts make your proposal to appropriate the money to Dr. Kelsey's dispensary in Japan very acceptable. Our friend who died was engaged to be married to Dr. H. M., a brother of a missionary now in China, and he himself expected, at the time the engagement was formed, to go out to China as a medical missionary, but health prevented. There are other striking coincidences that centre about this appropriation of our dear L—s legacy which has our entire approval.

South Carolina.—Two dollars from a colored church. The pastor hopes that the Lord will increase it a thousand fold to

His glory and the benefit of souls.

Not Disheartened.—My little *prolégé* in the Calcutta Orphanage has died. Please assign to my care another child. I want to try and help some other little orphan in India heavenward.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y.—The "Golden Rule Band" met in October to bring in their summer work; scrap-books, jarmars, gifts for the Calcutta Orphanage, where they support one child (another in Japan). Forty-eight young members were present, besides parents and friends. The "Mite Boxes" were found to contain \$32, and our pastor was much interested in the children as they told how they had earned their mites.

The Little Offering.—A small gift for so great a work; but I trust the Master sees the love to your Society that prompts

it and will add His blessing.

A Friend.—With increasing interest I read the reports of the work being done from time to time and now send ten dollars to the Union Missionary Society. "Our earthly life is not the place or time for our real compensations. We shall be recompensed 'at the resurrection of the just.'"

PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND PRIVATE USE.

O Lord, bless we humbly pray Thee, our Missions in India, China and Japan. Endow those who shall labor in them with the spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind. Convert the impenitent; raise the fallen; strengthen the weak; give more grace to the faithful, and may all be done after Thy Will and to Thy Glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MISSION BAND DEPARTMENT.

How They Did It.

BY J. N. CROSBY.

NCE the dear older girls in our Japanese school, and indeed a great many of the younger ones, too, prepared for a bazaar, for the articles were made mostly by the women of the Japanese church, who, not having money to contribute, desired in this way to raise funds for their native city missionary. It was their first attempt at anything of this kind, and they succeeded in clearing \$250, for they sought God's blessing upon it from the first. To show the spirit in which they undertook it, I will tell you what I overheard. Several of the girls, with Mr. Kumano, the native teacher, were in my room engaged in marking the articles and talking over the arrangements. One of them said: "We will have to go down to the rooms very early, at least by half-past seven in the morning, so as to have plenty of time for the prayer-meeting." This had been previously arranged, because they could not work without God's blessing.

My Summer.

BY ITO YUASA (NATIVE OF JAPAN).

AST August I went to the country, about fifty miles from Yokohama. Forty or fifty miles may not seem a great journey to the Americans, for they have cars by which they travel many miles in an hour; but to the Japanese it is quite a long one. The cars run constantly between the cities in certain parts of the country; but such a rapid and comfortable way of traveling has not been introduced into this region. So we travel by

jinrikisha, or carriages, and over steep mountains by kagos, which are vehicles like baskets, swung on a pole carried on men's shoulders, and for this reason it takes a whole day to come up here. Hakone is a small village about half a mile long, lying in the central part of Mount Hakone, known and far-famed from ancient times as a pleasant summer resort. The houses are quite different from ours; the roofs are thatched with rushes and the grass grows on the house tops, reminding one of David's simile in one of his Psalms. Although outwardly the houses look very much like huts, yet inside they are neat and clean. His Majesty, our Emperor, is having a summer residence built up here, on the island of Toga, situated in the Hakone Lake. This morning, as I write, I hear the loud footsteps of the hundreds of workmen in the street, with their tools on their shoulders, going there to work. The noise of the hammering of the busy workmen is heard from morn till evening.

The royal residence is constructed in two styles, one the Japanese, and the other foreign. I wish I could describe to you the interior apartments of the royal palace; but that is impossible, as no one is allowed to enter except the workmen who are engaged in this work. The population is about 800, most of whom are hotelkeepers and others are kago-men. There are many charming walks up here; the scenery is lovely, and sometimes in gazing at these fine views I find it hard to believe that there can be anything more beautiful than these grassy mountains, covered with the softest tints, with bare gray rocks. The foliage has begun to turn and the cool autumn weather seems to shut us in so that in a few days we will have to leave this lovely spot. Let me tell you about my little children's Sunday-school, which I opened on coming here, and have had every Sunday since. The people do not know exactly when

Sunday comes, so every Saturday or Sunday I go out to call in the children. The little ones like to come, and learn Bible verses quite easily and enjoy singing very much. They sing pretty well for little children. The usual attendance of boys and girls is from twenty-five to thirty. If you watch the streets you will sometimes hear them singing the hymns which we have taught them in their own homes. I hope the good seed sown in their young hearts may spring up and bear much fruit.

The Way they Doctor People in India.

A LADY physician in Bombay was called in great haste to see a Mahomedan woman, who was supposed to be dying. The lady, being convinced that the patient's illness must have continued several days, asked the family friends why she had not been called in earlier. They replied that they wished to send for her a week before, but the woman insisted in calling in one of their own hakims (doctors) instead. They said that the hakim came, wrote a text from the Koran in Arabic, and told the patient to soak the slip of paper on which the text was written in a glass of water, and to drink the water for a few days, when she would be quite well. The poor woman followed the directions carefully, and drank the water for several days, when she became so very ill the family were alarmed, and sent for the doctor.

Fortunately it was not too late, and the woman recovered, perhaps to trust to the same foolish remedy at her next attack. The natives of India have numberless superstitions in regard to diseases. If they are suffering from rheumatism, they tie a peacock's feather around the leg to cure it. If they have fever, they brand the chest and stomach with a hot iron. Little children are often seen with wide, deep burns, six or eight inches long, which their parents have made to cure them of disease.—

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BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

ARRIVAL OF MISSION BOXES.

Miss Hook writes December 14th, 1885:

Calcutta.—The boxes have been received and the contents greatly appreciated. Every thing is nice and useful, and I take this opportunity of thanking everybody who has sent anything and as soon as possible each shall have a letter.

Miss Ward writes December 17th, 1885:

Cawnpore.—A few days after the boxes came we had a sale and realized enough for all our Christmas treats, and perhaps may have enough left to complete the payment of our new dining table or for a few pieces of furniture we still need, and which I do not wish to buy from the regular Society's fund. Many thanks to all our kind friends.

Mrs. Viele writes December 28th, 1885:

Yokohama.—All the boxes were opened the day before Christmas. Not a doll broken or injured in the long journey, everything in good order and more than satisfactory. You good women over on your side are doing so much to help us unworthy ones on this side, I am sure we would be greatly ashamed to complain of hardships or sacrifices; in fact we don't have any except this one which you would gladly help, but cannot, the separation from home, friends and native land. Just as pleasant as life can be made in a strange land. with thousands of miles of land and water between us, and all the world holds dear and precious to us, our life is made. If I could write all the thanks I feel the kind donors would be more than satisfied.

Miss Burnett writes November 25th, 1885:

Shanghai. —I can write but just a line to say that the boxes are received all in perfect order as far as we can tell. We feel very grateful to all our kind friends.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Mr. Sidney Venable, by Mrs. H. M. Browne, Louisville, Ky.
Miss Emmie Lyte, """
Mrs. Louisa Barclay, """
Miss Bessie Bansemer, by "Ministering Children," Baltimore, Md.
Miss Mary F. Moore, by Earnest Workers, Roselle, N. J.
Miss Ida T. Stone, """
Mrs. Augustus E. Colson, by Pioneer Band, Brooklyn.
Miss Marie Haines Nixon. """

NEW LEAFLETS.

CAWNPORE, by Miss Gardner. Single copies, 5c. No. 76. GIVERS FOR JESUS. Per dozen, 10c.

DONATIONS.

We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts to our Mission Stations:

India, Calcutta.—From Miss M. S. Totten, N. Y., two scrap-books and picture cards.

Mrs. E. B. Monroe, Southport, Conn., twelve jarmars.

Miss Hook, Brooklyn, for Miss L. M. Hook, scrap-book and gift.

Young Ladies' Association of Clinton Avenue Congregational Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., fourteen skirts, six jarmars, koorta and material.

A friend, a scrap-book and package of pencils for Room 41.

Mrs. R. McHarg, N. Y., scrap-books, pictures, etc.

Orphanage.—Twenty Minute Society, Elizabeth, N. J., thirteen dolls,

Bethany Band, Hamburg, N. J., eleven dolls, five scrap-books, three koortas.

Miss Ida Harrison, Snow Bird Band, Newark, N. J., for "Margaret," a book.

Mrs. R. I. Brown, N. Y., four suits and two scrap-books.

Caronpore.—Miss Nellie Freeman, Chicago, a beautiful scrap-book, and from Miss P. L. Smith, package cards and pictures

Shanghai.—From Mrs. Peltz, Albany, N. Y., package linen.

Mrs. Newman, Dixmont Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa., furnished work basket and pin cushion for Miss Bennett.

Mrs. C. Robert, N. Y., linen for hospital.

Mrs. W. E. Mathews, N. Y., three pairs knit stockings.

Miss Torrey, N. Y., cradle and silk holder.

Scattering.—Miss Hyde, N. Y., linen, books and pictures.

Mrs. Spillman, Boston, Mass., stocking bag, twine, bags, sachets, etc.

RECEIPTS IN DECEMBER, 1885, AND JANUARY, 1886.

Receipts of the Woman's Union Missionary Society, from November 28th to December 31st, 1885.

CANADA.		Cawnnore	6	
New Brunswick, St. Stephens		Cawnpore, Fairport, Dr. E. E. Dickinson, for	526	00
Aux., per Mrs. Dr. Todd, half		Dr. Kelsey's use among the		
yearly payment for Esther,		sick in Yokohama.	100	00
	\$16 00	New York, Mrs. Van Wagenen.	200	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE.	410 00	for Miss Hook (personally),	20	00
		Mrs. H. R. Winthrop, per		
Concord. Concord Aux., per Mrs.		Mrs. S. A. Church,	50	00
Edward A. Moulton, Treas.,	€60 oc	Miss Hyde, 1; Link, .50,		50
MASSACHUSETTS		Mrs. Christopher Robert,	20	00
Boston, Boston Branch, Mrs.		Miss Laura Halstead, 10;		
Henry Johnson, Treas, (see		Link, .50,	10	
items below),	\$322 10	Mrs. D. J. Ely, annual subscrip.	25	00
Haverhill, Zenana Society, Miss		Miss Mary Crosby, for Japan,		,
Sarah N. Kittredge, Treas.		50; Link .60, The Misses Boorman, annual	50	00
for Miss Ward's work, Cawn-		subscription,		
pore,	123 04	"Band of Hope," collected by	25	00
Northampton, Missionary Society		Mrs. W. S. Mikels: Mrs. A. D.		
of Smith College, Miss Sarah		Cooper, 2; Mrs. T. Page,		
H. Perkins, Treas., to com-		(In Memoriam), 1; Mrs. G. P.		
plete sum for training Chinese		Brush, 1; Mrs. H. M. Kemp,		
nurse,	23 50	2; Mrs. J. Chace, 1; Mrs. C.		
	×468 64	E. White, 1: Mrs. I. Hart, 1:		
CONNECTICUT.	-400 04	Mrs. F. Gardiner, .50: Mrs. J.		
		Carpenter, .50; Mrs. Spring-		
Bethel, Miss Frances E. Seelye,	0	stein, 1; Mrs. W. H. Dunning,		
Mew London, New London Aux.,	\$1 00	1; Mrs E. Decker, 1; Mrs.		
Mrs. Mary P. Clark, Treas.,		S. P. White, 2; Mrs. S. J.		
63.26; LINKS, 1.50,	64 76	Flanagan, 1; Mrs. F. H. Took-		
3120 , 1111110, 1130,		er, 1; Mrs. L. A. Mikels, 5;		
	\$65 76	Mrs. S. P. White, for Link, .50, Port Henry, Band of Hope, per	22	50
RHODE ISLAND.		Miss H. M. Douglass, for		
Jamestown, Mrs. H. Audley		" False " Langa	60	00
Clarke, annual subscription,		Poughkeepsie, Poughkeepsie	00	00
5; Mrs. K. N. Black, Texas, 2,	47 00	Branch, Mrs. G. W. Candee,		
Providence, Providence Branch,		Treas., for Miss Crosby's sup-		
Miss Mary S. Stockbridge,		port, and including Mrs. J. H.		
Treas. (items in Report),	151 65	Raymond's annual contribu-		
		tion, \$289 75		
	\$158 65	Through Mrs. M. L.		
NEW YORK.		Morgan, for "Kwae		
Albany, Miss Elizabeth D. Nott,		Kiung," 30 00		
from her mother, 5; Link,		Through Mrs. H. V.		
.50,	\$5 50	Pelton, for Miss Gardner's expenses, 5 00		
Albany Branch, Mrs. Fred			6221	25
Townsend, Treas. (see items		Rhinebeck, Mrs. W. R. Schell, .	\$324	00
below),	259 52	Southampton, Presb. SS., per	3	-
Miss Elizabeth Hill, donation		Mr. E. H. Foster, for "Char-		
and Link, Brooklyn, Miss M. A. Gardiner,	1 00	lotte F. Post," Shanghai, in		
"In Memoriam," and Mrs. C.		Miss Burnett's care, Water Mills, L. I., SS. Collections,	30	00
P. Lane, annual subscription,	5 00	Water Mills, L. I., SS. Collections,		
Mrs. Charles Robinson,	25 00	Mr. B. C. Foster, Supt., for		
A Friend,	10 00	school in Shanghai under		
Cold Spring, "Hillside Band,"		Miss Burnett,	35	22
A Friend,				
for Miss Ward's work in		5	1,112	09

Fairton, Fairton Union Mission Band, per Mrs. M. J. Shep-	
Band, per Mrs. M. I. Shep-	
pard as: I we so from Sunday-school, \$16 00	
Hamburg, Bethany Band, per Aftermath Mission Band	
Miss Eleanor Doremus Tuck-	
H. Smith	
Morris Plains, Morris Plains' Also 234.75 from Second	
Band, Mrs. Mina Jones, Phila, acknowledged	
ham, 20 00 elsewhere. —— \$38	50
Morristown, Morristown Aux., Miss Mary H. Maury, Treas., PENNSYLVANIA.	74
for support of Louisa Luce, PENNSYLVANIA.	, ,
Cawnpore, 265 00 Facton Vice Emma F Randolph	
R B I von Treas	
N. B. Lyon, Treas., 40 00 Netherwood, Proceeds of Mission Band Fair, per Mrs. Rev. A. S. Patton, for school Treas. pro tem: 5, for zenana work; Link, 50; \$10 Philadelphia. Philadelphia Branch, Miss C. Remiugton, Treas. pro tem:	50
sion Band Fair, per Mrs. Branch, Miss C. Remiugton,	
in Shanghai, 25; special dona- Treas. pro tem: For Miss Lathrop's	
school, Nellore, India, 25 50 00 Newark, Newark Aux., Mrs. E. D. salary	
G Smith Truce from Sieter	
For Dr. Reitsnyder's	
for support of Adelaide Burnet Condit, so, by Miss I. W.	
net Condit, 50; by Miss J. W. Abeel, Mrs. R. F. Ballantine,	
New Brunswick, New Brunswick Alice in Calcutta	
Aux., Miss M. A. Campbell, Treas, of which from Union Wisson Band for Calutta For support of "Thank-	
institution that the caretta the and another child	
Orphanage, 80; for the Mar-	
garet Williamson Hospital, 117.19: from Miss Van For support of child in	
Rensselaer, for new child in Mrs Downie's Mission	
India, 20,	
for most needed use in Hospi- Zenana Band of Second	
tal, Shanghai, 10 00 Reformed Episcopal	
tal, Shanghai, 10 00 Princeton, Princeton Branch, Miss Ellen L. A. Brown, The state of the	75
Pittsburgh, Lawrenceville	15
Guyot (items in Annual Report), "Torch Bearers," Mrs. Jas. W. Campbell, Treas., for girl	
Ourhanger in Calcutte and	
to constitute two Life Mem-	
bers, 40; also 1.75, and for \$1,243	25
freight on box, 1.50 (see summary below),	
South Orange, through Foreign Wilmington, Wilmington Aux.	
Missionary Committee of Mrs. Dr. R. P. Johnson, Treas., 50.50; Link, 1,	50
Rev. A. M. Morrison, Sec.,	
for mission work in Cawn- pore, Emanuel Ref. Church, Particular Percent	
lersey City Heights, N. J., Rev. Walter Windeyer, by Baltimore, Baltimore Branch, Mrs. Alex. Carlet, Treas.	
	70
Mrs. J. Howard-Smith,	
Mrs. E. C. Benedict, Mamaroneck, N. Y., . 5 00 Washington, Mrs. H. Le Conte, donation and Link,	00

OHIO	LOWA	
OHIO. Cincinnati, Cincinnati Branch, Mrs. M. M. White, Treas., for McAll Mission, Paris, 94 Imaking a total of 300, held for that mission). Annual sub- scriptions for Miss Mc- Kechnie's salary, 85.10; bal- lance due from Society for same, 27.00 (see items below), \$207 00 Damascus, Mrs. Hattie B. Cat- tell, donation and Link, Oxford, Miss Carrie D. White, donation and Link, 1 00 ILLINOIS. Chicago, Chicago Branch, Mrs. O. F. Avery, Treas. (see items below), Secondary, See items below), Rockford, The "Argonaut's Band," per Mrs. Ralph Emer- son, 120 32	IOWA. Independence, Miss Carlie E. Lathrop, for Miss Lathrop's work,	
KENTUCKY. Louisville, Kentucky Branch, Mrs. S. J. Look, Treas. (Items in Report.)	Total Receipts from November 28th, to December 31st, 1885, \$5,977 35 Mrs. J. E. JOHNSON, Asst. Treas.	
RECEIPTS of Boston B Mrs. E. A. Crosby's Collection: Mrs. George Dexter,	ranch. in December. 1: Mrs. Glover, 1: Mr. Estabrooks, 1: Mrs. Chittenden, 50, Mrs. Elbridge Torrey, 10 00 Mrs. L. M. Standish, for "Silver Anniversary," 500 Mrs. Mary H. Mitchell, Christmas Gift, 100 Mrs. Bridge, for the Home at Cawnpore, 100 Mrs. M. B. Means, for the work at Cawnpore, 100 Miss Alden, Hingham, 100 \$322 10 Mrs. HENRY JOHNSON, Treas.	
Receipts of Albany Branch.		
The Temple Grove Seminary Band, Saratoga, N. Y., for the Sup- port of "Chika Kinowaki," in the "Home" at Yokohama, Mrs. Catharine Smith, for "Katie and Sarah Savage Smith," in the "Home" at Yokohama. Miss Abby S. Lansing, as her An- nual Subscription. 5 00	Mrs. Leander Stickney, as her Annual Subscription,	

and 188. Slo oo Mrs. Charles B. Lansing, as her Annual Subscription, 10 oo Mrs. J. Townsend Lansing, as her Annual Subscription, 10 oo A Friend, through Mrs. J. Townsend Lansing, 10 oo Mrs. Frederick Townsend, as her Annual Subscription, 20 oo Mrs. Phillips for Annual Subscription, 10 oo Mrs. Phillips for Link, 50 "tibson, 10 oo A friend, 11 oo Miss Phelps, as her Annual Subscription, 10 oo Mrs. T. V. Van Heusen, as her Annual Subscription, 20 oo Mrs. T. V. Van Heusen, as her Annual Subscription, 20 oo Mrs. Le G. Bancroft, as Annual	Subscription,	
Union Mission Band, "Earnest Workers," Roselle, N. J.		
SUMMARY FOR 1885.		
RECEIPTS. Balance from 1884,	DISIGRSEMENTS. Paid to W. U. M. Soc.,	
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RECEIPTS of Cin	cinnati Branch.	
Collected by Mrs. Andrew C. Kemper: Mrs. Andrew C. Kemper, 100 Mrs. Robertson Thomas, 100 Mrs. Robertson Thomas, 100 Mrs. Robertson Thomas, 100 Mrs. W. W. Andrews and Link, 160 Miss Frances E. Smith, 100 Mrs. W. H. Allen, 200 Mrs. S. C. Tatum, 200 Mrs. J. N. Stanger, 200 Mrs. L. N. Stanger, 200 Mrs. Geo. B. Orr, 500 By Mrs. Frank Wilson: Mrs. J. B. Stewart, 500 By Mrs. M. M. White: Mrs. J. Stanger, 500 Mrs. M. M. White: Mrs. Macob Skates Burnet, 300 Mrs. Frances A. White, 100 Mrs. Frances A. White, 100 Mrs. Susan Morris White, 100 McCall Mission. By Mrs. De Rice Kemper: The Humphrey Memorial Band, 530 Mrs. 530 Mrs. De Rice Kemper: The Humphrey Memorial Band, 530	Mrs. George Fox,	

RECEIPTS of Chicago Branch.

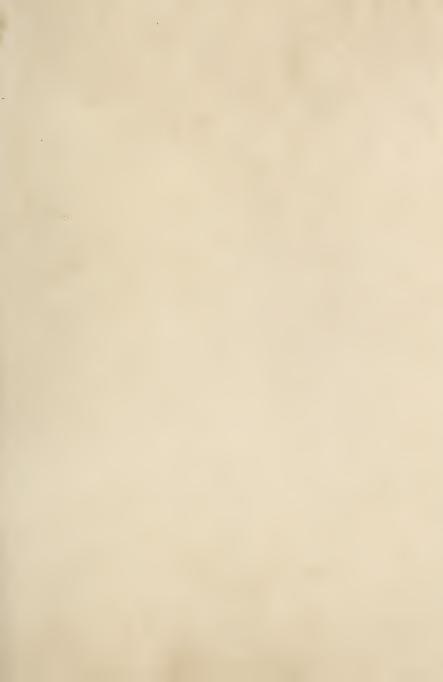
Mrs. C. H. Thaxter, A Friend, for "Mary Grant," Calcutta, Mrs. Wm. H. King, Mrs. B. E. Gallup, and Link, Mrs. N. S. Bouton, Mrs. Julia P. Durkee, for China, Mrs. R. N. Isham, Primary Class of First Congregational Church, by Mrs. R. B. Pruissener, for "Mitzu Sudzu-	land, 5 each, for Mary A. Merriman Memorial School, Cawnpore,	
Receipts of the Woman's Union Missionary Society, from Jan. 1st to Jan. 28th, 1886.		
CANADA. Bayside, Ontario Co., Miss M.	Norfolk, Miss E. K. Talcott,	
Gordon,	work so: LINK. 1 \$51.00	
"Silver Anniversary Fund,".	Woodbury, Mrs. Horace C. Baldwin, donation and Link, 200	
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NEW HAMPSHIRE.	NEW YORK.	
Concord, Concord Branch, Miss Maria H. Woods, Pres., for "Le Roy Memorial Bed," . \$29 VERMONT.	Albany, Mrs. Irving Losee, per Mr. Wm. Elliot Griffis, Albany Branch, Mrs. Fred. Townsend, Treas. (see items	
	below) 87 00	
MASSACHUSETTS.	Astoria, L. I., Mrs. Eli Smallwood, 10; Link, .50, Erooklyn, "Sister Julia," St. John's	
Amherst, Mrs. Anson D. Morse,	Hospital 5 00	
Boston, Boston Branch, Mrs. Henry Johnson, Treas. (see	Mrs. R. L. Wyckoff, for "Le Roy Memorial Bed," 25 00 "Silver" Anniversary gifts,	
Bridgewater Zenana Band per	Mrs. Horace Webster, for Dr. Reifsnyder's work, 50 00	
Miss Mary W. Pierce, for	C. U. H., 5 00	
Miss Gardner's school,	5 00 Miss E. K. Bigelow, 5 00	
Haverhill, Mrs. Charles Coffin,	2 00 Mrs. Corwith, 5 00 Miss Churchill, 5 00	
donation and LINK.	Mrs. Day, 2 00	
Northampton, the "Seelye Child-	A Friend, 2 00	
Northampton, the "Seelye Child- ren," per Miss M. A. Allen, for "Mary Seelye," 2	A Friend, 2 00	
for "Mary Seelye," 2	5 00 Four Friends, 1 each, 4 00 A Friend,	
\$72	8 92 A Friend, 50	
CONNECTICUT.	Mrs May Schwerein, 1, and for	
	"Golden" Anniversary, 5, . 6 oo Hamilton, Mrs. C. A. Diell, for	
	Anniversary,	
Hartford, Miss L. L. Marsh, donation and Link, New Haven, Mrs. T. M. Dexter, for scholarship in Calcutta,	Miss Ward, 50; and for Jennie McGraw, 50, 100 00 Ladies of Presb. Church, for	
in memoriam of Mrs. T. D.	Miss Ward's salary, per Miss J. L. Hardy, 136 85	

New York, Mr. Wm. N. Blake-		Wurtsboro, Mrs. John Du Bois,		
Mrs. Frederick R. Trowbridge.	\$5 00	and daughter,	\$5	-
io; Link, i,	11 00	NEW JERSEY.	1,404	28
scription,	10 00	Cranford, "Excelsior Band," per		
Miss Maria Ackerman, for Miss		Miss Fisher, 10; per Mrs. N. R. Park, 4, a "Silver Anniversary" gift, . Morristown, Morristown Aux., Miss M. H. Maury, Treas., to complete salary of Miss		
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